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Applicants first acknowledge the change made by the Examiner to the title of the application in the Notice of Allowance.

Allowed claims 20 and 23 have been amended to correct a typographical error. Specifically, the claims recite the sequence "(T,S,P)LXXX(C,S)XXZX(LIV) (SEQ ID NO:4)". This recitation was first introduced in the Amendment filed October 4, 2004, which referenced page 9, line 25 of the specification for support of such sequence. However, Applicants observe that the sequence at page 9, line 25 of the specification reads:

(T,S,P)LXXX(C,S)XXX(LIV).

That is, there was an extra "Z" in the sequence recited in claims 20 and 23.

Applicants also filed a substitute Sequence Listing on October 4, 2004, which shows SEQ ID NO: 4 as:

Xaa Leu Xaa Xaa Xaa Xaa Xaa Xaa Xaa, wherein Xaa at position 1 is T, S or P, Xaa at positions 3-5 is any amino acid, Xaa at position 6 is C or S, Xaa at positions 7-9 is any amino acid, and Xaa at position 10 is L, I or V.

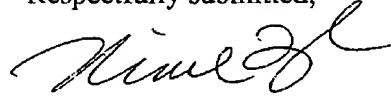
Therefore, SEQ ID NO: 4 in the substitute Sequence Listing is consistent with the sequence disclosed at page 9, line 25 of the specification.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the instant amendment to remove the letter "Z" from the recited sequences in claims 20 and 23 is adequately supported by the specification. No new matter is introduced.

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Therefore, Applicants respectfully request entry of the instant amendment in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,



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